No. 15

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PROPOSITIONS

OF

Both Houſes of PARLIAMENT,

Concerning

The raiſing of Horſe, Horſemen, and Arms, for the defence of the

KING,

And both Houſes of Parliament.

Ordered by the Houſe of Commons, That theſe Propoſitions be forthwith Printed and publiſhed.

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WHereas it appears, That the King (seduced by wicked Councell) intends to make War against his Parliament, and in pursuance thereof, under Pretence of a Guard for His Person, hath actually begun to leavy Forces both of Horse and Foot, and sent out Summons throughout the County of Yorke, for the calling together of greater numbers, and some ill affected Persons have been imployed in other parts, to raise Troopes, under the colour of His Majesties Service making large offers of reward and preferment to such as will come in; And that His Majesty doth with a high and forcible hand, protect and keep away Delinquents, not permitting them to make their appearance, to answere such affronts and Injuries as have beene by them offered unto the Parliament; and those Messengers which have been sent from the Houses for them, have been abused, beaten, and imprisoned; so as the Orders of Parliament, which is the highest Court of Iustice in this Kingdom, are not obeyed, and the Authority of it is altogether scorned and vilified; and such persons as stand well-affected to it, and declare themselves sensible of these publike calamities, and of the violations of the Priviledges of Parliament, and common Libertie of the Subject, are hated and injured by severall sorts of malignant men who are about the King, some whereof under the

name of Cavaliers, without having reſpect to the Lawes of the Land, or any feare, either of God or man, are ready to commit all manner of out-rage and violence, which muſt needs tend to the diſſolution of this Government, the deſtroying of our Religion, Lawes, and Liberty, and Propriety, all which will be expoſed to the malice and violence of ſuch deſperate perſons as muſt be employed in ſo horrid and unnaturall an act, as the overthrowing of a Parliament by force, which is the ſupport and preſervation of them: All which being duly conſidered by the Lords and Commons, and how great an Oligation lyes upon them in Honour, Conſcience, and duty, according to the high truſt repoſed in them, to uſe all poſſible meanes in ſuch caſes, for the timely prevention of ſo great and irrecoverable evils, they have thought fit to publiſh their ſenſe and apprehenſion of this imminent danger, thereby to excite all well-affected perſons to contribute their beſt aſſiſtance, according to their ſolemne Vow and Proteſtation, to the Preparations neceſſary for the oppoſing and ſuppreſſing of the Trayterous attempts of theſe wicked and malignant Councellors, who ſeeke to engage the King in ſo dangerous and deſtructive an enterpriſe, and the whole Kingdome in a civill War, and deſtroy the Priviledges and Being of Parliaments; This recourſe to the good affections of thoſe that tender their Religion, and juſt Liberties, and the Enjoyment of the bleſſed fruits of this preſent Parliament, which were almoſt ready to be reaped, and are now as ready to be ruined by thoſe wicked hands; being the only remedy left them, under God, and without which they are no longer able to preſerve themſelves, or thoſe by whom they are entruſted.

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1. They the ſaid Lords and Commons doe Declare, That whoſoever ſhall bring in any proportion of ready Money, or Plate, or ſhall underwrite to furniſh and maintaine any number of Horſe, Horſemen, and Arms, for the preſervation of the publique Peace, and for the defence of the King, and both houſes of Parliament from force and violence, and to uphold the Power and Priviledges of Parliament, according to his Proteſtation, it ſhall bee held a good and acceptable ſervice to the Common-wealth, and a teſtimony of his good affection to the Proteſtant Religion, the Lawes, Liberties, and Peace of this Kingdome, and to the Parliament, and Priviledges thereof.

And becauſe a conſiderable aid cannot be raiſed by few hands, and the condition of all mens eſtates and occaſions, is not alwayes proportionable to their Affection; The Lords and Commons doe Declare, That no mans Affection ſhall bee meaſured according to the proportion of his offer, ſo that hee expreſſe his good wil to this ſervice in any proportion whatſoever.

2. And it is further Declared by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, That whoſoever ſhall bring in any Money or Plate, or ſhall furniſh and maintaine any Horſe, Horſemen, and Armes for the purpoſes aforeſaid, ſhall have their Money re-paid, with the Intereſt, according to eight l. *per cent* and the full value of their Plate, with conſideration for the faſhion, not exceeding One ſhilling *per* ounce, and ſhall have full recompence for all their charge, in finding, furniſhing, and maintaining of Horſe, Horſemen,

men, and Arms; and for this both Houſes of Parliament do ingage the publike Faith.

3. And it is Ordained, That Sir *John Wollaſton*, Knight and Alderman, Alderman *Towſe*, Alderman *Warner*, and Alderman *Andrewes*, ſhall be the Treaſurers to receive all ſuch Money, and Plate, as ſhall be brought in for the purpoſes aforeſaid. And that the Acquittances of them, or any two of them, for the Receit of the ſame ſhall bee a ſufficient ground for the Party ſo lending Mony, or Plate, to demand the ſame again with the Intereſt, and likewiſe conſideration for the faſhion of the Plate.

4. It is Ordered, That
ſhall be Commiſſaries to value the Horſe and Armes that ſhall be furniſhed for this ſervice; and that a ſignification under the hands of them, or any two of them of ſuch values of the Horſe and Armes, and of the time when they were firſt brought in, ſhall be a Warrant to demand ſatisfaction according to the ſaid values, and they ſhall keepe an account of the time, from the firſt Inrolment of any ſuch Horſe and Horſemen, That ſuch as finde and maintaine them, may be re-paid according to the rate of 2 s. 6 d. *per diem*, for ſo long time as they have maintained them in this ſervice; And the Commiſſaries are to attend at *Guildhall*, for the receiving and inrolling of ſuch numbers of Horſe as ſhall be brought in.

5. It is Ordered, That whoſoever ſhall bring in Money,

Money, or Plate, or ſhall provide and maintaine Horſe, Horſemen, and Arms, for this ſervice, ſhall do according to their duty therein. And the Lords and Commons doe engage the Power and Authority of Parliament, to ſave them harmeleſſe from all prejudice and inconvenience that may befall them by occaſion thereof.

6. It is Ordered, That the Members of either Houſe who are preſent, ſhall be deſired to Declare in their Houſes reſpectively, what Money, or Plate they will bring in, or what Horſe, Horſemen, and Armes they will finde and maintain.

7. It is deſired, That all ſuch as have their reſidence in or about *London*, or within 80 miles, will bring in their Money, Plate, or Horſe, within a fortnight after notice; and they that dwell farther off, within three weekes.

8. And becauſe every Perſon may not be provided with preſent Money, or with Horſe, or not have his Plate with him, which he meanes to bring in, and yet reſolves to contribute his part within a time limited, and that it is neceſſary it ſhould be preſently knowne what the proviſion will be, for the effecting of this great and important ſervice. It is Ordered, That the Committees of either Houſe, appointed for that purpoſe reſpectively, ſhall receive the ſubſcriptions of ſuch Members of each Houſe, as have not declared themſelves in the Houſe or are abſent

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upon the publike ſervice, or for their private occaſions. 2. That the Committee of *London*, intruſted with the *Militia*, ſhall receive the ſubſcriptions in *London* and *Midleſex*. 3. That ſome Perſons nominated by the Knights and Burgeſſes of each County, and approved by both Houſes, ſhall be appointed to receive the ſubſcriptions in the ſeverall Counties.

9. And laſtly, it is Declared, that whatſoever is brought in, ſhall not at all be imployed upon any other occaſion, then to the purpoſes aforeſaid; which are to maintaine the Proteſtant Religion, the Kings Authority, and His Perſon, in his Royall Dignity, the free courſe of Iuſtice, the Lawes of the Land, the Peace of the Kingdome, and the Priviledge of Parliament, againſt any force which ſhall oppoſe them. And this by the direction of both Houſes of Parliament.

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